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Something about Monopolies.

With the constrution of the Union Pacific railroad, was inaugeraa system of land grabbing by those who are suddenly taken with railroad enterprises, that is calculated to concentrate the wealth and influence of the whole country in the hands of railroad men, unless the powers of the government prosecute the steps they have begun in the annihilation of all claims which these pioneer spirits profess to hold upon the coffers of the public treasury. We are not opposed to monopolies when the term is properly applied to great and necessary enterprises whereby the people may be benefited and capital at the same time reap its reward from investment therein; but we do oppose stealing, frauds and corraption in all the varied forms and shapes under which they severally disguise themselves when bent upon public ruin in erecting personal fortunes for those who prosecute them and apply them to the accomplishment of their own base purposes. We would be glad to have a railroad running through every county ir, the Union and to know that the dividends declared from each were simply magnificent, but we would rather have the wagon system to continue than that the cities, towns, counties and States, through which they run, should build them for the benefit of individuals, and tax themselves and succeeding genera tions forever, with untold burdens to consummate the financial glory of a few men. Nearly all the roads which have been constructed since the war throughout this whole country, two children slunk away and tried to keep has been built by what is known as from freezing in the doorway of an old house in the neighborhood, where they subsidy. Their projectors first logroll Congress and getall the grants they can procure-and sometimes Congressmen take a little stock in consideration of their vote, as was the case in the Mobilier fraudsthen they repair to the State Legislatures and get all the subsides they can from this source, and then for ready cash to begin with, they inflame the people with ardent hopes, and set the little towns and villages to bidding against each other for the purpose of becoming station points along these stupendous lines of iniquity which should all be continued into some bottomless ocean, and their owners started to the terminal point. Monopoly, properly applied to enterprises involving public convenience, is the delegation of the right to do a thing, but not to first accomplish the object and then grant both right and it to the monopolists. When States give rights to build railroads, that is all they should give, and then those who reap the exclusive privilege of enjoying the profits of such rights should be content to invest their own money in the construction of the works which would thus be theirs in an honest and legitimate way. We are glad to say to our readers, that in this State, land subsidies have "played out." Our legislature is willing to grant a railroad charter to any company of solvent men who may apply for one, but it will go no farther in the encouragement of these great inter-

ests about which railroad owners

harp so constantly and loudly. We

have heard them proclaim them-

selves public benefactors, and

point, with the most complacent

satisfaction, to the roads they had

built with the people's money, to

prove their declarations. We don't

like this sort of philanthropy, and

we rejoice that our legislature has

decided to build no more railroads

for a few men to feast and fatten

indignant if a shipper, who aided with his money in building it, should complain of bad management in the delivery of his freights.

The new steamer, San Jacinto, the pioneer of the Liverpool and Galveston line, arrived at the latter city on Thursday of last week, bringing 221 emigrants. These imigrants are mostly farm hands, house servants, &c., and a good many of them had already been engaged before leaving England .-A correspondent of the Houston Age speaks in high terms of these people, and says they are the most respectable looking set that have ever landed in Texas. To Messrs, C. W. Hurley & Co., belong mainly the credit of the establishment of this line. The next ship due will be

the San Anthnio. Bar The Texas Deutche Zeitung, a new paper just published at Houston, comes to us this week. It is full of interesting matter to all who can read it.

We are in receipt, by mail of the Temperance Monthly, a neat journal published in St. Louis, and devoted to the cause of temper-

From the New York World.

The Dark Side of New York. While Madison Avenue was dining and Fifth Avenue was wining on Christmas

Day, while the New York of West Twenty-Third street was looking at the precious holiday gifts it had received, the poor of New York were doing what they had been doing all the rest of the year-i. e., suffering. Wandering about dusk in the neighborhood of the Five Points, the writer saw at the corner of Worth and Baxter streets, standing under a lamp post in in the very centre of what was once the most dangerous part of New York, within a stone's throw of the site of the old Brewery, a little girl about five years old, crying with hunger and shivering with cold. She was one of two children of a poor Italion woman, whose little all had been used in defraying the expenses of a little illness, brief in duration, but quite long enough to render her literally "without a

This woman andher children had passed Christmas eve huddled around a scanty fire in the stove of a bar-room in the neigh borhood, whose preprietor let her "stay round" the fire because she had no where to go till midnight. Then when the place closed for the night, the woman and her were found about 3 o'clock on Chrisemas morning, by a policeman going his rounds, the mother nearly frezen stiff, standing upright, holding to her breast her two children. Had the policeman been a few minutes later, the three would probably have died-died on Christmas morning, of mingled cold and starvation and weari ness-within a few rods of the wealthiest portion of the wealthiest city on the Amercan continent. In Mulberry street, not far from where the little girl was met, a little boy asked the writer for alms. inquiry it was found that he and his mother had lived on five cents and one loaf of bread since Thursday morning-thirtysix hours of existence for two beings on one loaf of bread and a five cent piece!

CORRUPTION IN RHE BODY POLITIC .-Corruption in the affairs of the Government seems to be spreading like the small pox in some eastern cities. Besides the Credit Mobilier abomination, the various land grab jobs in Congress, the develop-ments in New York city, the election of a United States Senator from Kansas and the five and ten thousand dollar checks in connection therewith, we have now calls for investigation in the manner of the election of a United States Senator from Missouri, and one from Nevada, each of whom, it is alleged, owes his success to the distribution of large sums of money among members of the Legislature, the figure in the case of the Nevada Senator elect reaching, it is said, the snug amount of three hundred thousand dollars. Verily this is an era of corruption, and the searching brooms of investigating committees ought to make clean sweeps all In the case of Senator Caldwell, of Ken-

sas, the evidence that he purchased his seat in the United States Senate by a free and unscrupulous use of money is conclusive. There is somothing revolting in coarseness with which the bribery and corruption were conducted. The bargaius for votes and influence were made with as little delicacy and as little attempt at concealment as would be displayed by two Texas drovers haggling over so many head of cattle. Yet the radical papers can discover no offensiveness in the transaction. and are only calculating upon the political effect that would follow the expulsion of Caldwell from a body two-thirds of whose members owe their positions to the same influences that were used to secure the success of this Kansas Senator .- Shreveport Times.

FATAL SHOOTING .- Gn Sunday evening last about dark, a difficulty occurred at Poletown in this county, which resulted in the killing of Mr. Ed. Murray and the probably fatal wounding of James Lidon, by two brothers named Abbitt. From the best information we can get the parties had a difficulty on Friday night previous at a party. The parties who did the shooting are still at large. Much credit is due our sheriff, Mr. Parker, and his deputy, Mr. Gill, for their untiring efforts to arrest the perpetrators of the deed .unon the earnings of, and become Conton Times.

Courtesy.

Nowhere is well-bred courtesy, or the lack of it, more observable than in travelling. On the steamboat and in the cars the quiet observer easily detects those who are educated under refined influences, or those who, without special cultivation, are possessed of native politeness. It is not education alone, nor wealth, nor high not education alone, nor wealth, nor high social position, nor costly trapping, that makes one a pleasant travelling companion. There must exist a kindness of feeling toward strangers a general recognition to the control of the con ing toward strangers, a general recogni-tion of equal rights in the comforts and conveniences provided for the public, and a quickened discernment for the needs of others. The gentleman who spreads out his laggage on a couple of seats in the cars, and persistently reads his newspaper, determinately unconscious that others who have paid as much as he has are looking in vain for a seat, is as truly illbred as the country girl who noiselessly eats her pint of peanuts, scattering shells on seats and floor, utterly regardless of the annoyance she gives her ineighbors. In this democratic country we travel in public conveyances too much as if they were our own private carriages. How of-ten the eleventh and twelfth passengers in a city omnibus, who know they have full claim to a seat, are discomfitted by the outspread garments, the immovable attitudes, and the blank faces of those who happen to have entered the stage before them! Common civility demands that a movement be made to give room until the complement is filled out; aftarward cour-tesy and generosity will often prompt to attentions which justice may not require. It is surprising how much the comfort and pleasure of any journey, whether long or short, is enhanced by those little nameless courtesies which are offered instinctively and unofficiously to strangers by refined, well-bred travellers, and persons in whom native tact and delicacy almost make up for the lack of the educating and refining influences of good society Summer journeying in crowded boats and cars is a test of both patience and politeness. Thrice happy they who pass nobly through it, for their own sake, for the comfort of companions, and for the reputation of poor human nature in gen-

The Clarksville Times gets off the fol-

owing: Use of a Receipt,-In a city not a theuand miles from this locality, there lives a lawyer, crafty, subtile, and cute as a fox. An Indian of the Choctaw tribe, Kiser, by name, owed him some money. The law-yer had waited long for the tin. His pa-tience at last gave out and he threatened the Indian with law-suits, processes and executions. The poor Choctaw got scar-ed and finally brought the money to his creditor. He waited for the lawyer to give

him a receipt. "What are you waiting for?" said the

lawyer. "Receipt," said the Indian.
"A receipt," said the lawyer, "a receipt!
what do you know about a receipt? Can you understand the nature of a receipt? Tell me the nature of one and I will give

The Indian looked at him a moment

and then said: "S pose may be medie; me go to heben; me find the gate locked; me see the 'pos tle Peter; he say, 'Kiser, what you want ?' may say, 'want to get in;' he say, 'you good man?' me say, 'yes;' he say, 'you pay A, that money?' What me do? I hab no A. that money?' receipt; hab to hunt all over hell to find

He got his receipt.

AN ELEPHANT.-If anybody wants an elephant let him by a dualine factory. A man had one near Millwaukie. The thing blew up, and the proprietor and foul assistants resolved into infinitesimal atoms and the fragments of the building were scattered for half a mile around. Dualine as an explosive is said to be safer than nitroglycerine. The peculiar feature of it is claimed to be that it can be handled in a solid state with safety. Twenty pounds of it would knock any block of building in the country to smithereens .-The slightest concussion shoots it off. It is a delicate matter to baudle. A good joke is told of a firm blasting rock in the Mississippi river that bought a very little of it. They were afraid to bury, or explode, or move it, for fear the rascally thing would go off and send them all to the reigons of space. They finally lowered it into the iver, where as water does not hurt it, it rests to explode at the touch of some passing vessel, or movement of an object under the water, and scatter death and destruction for a mile or two around.— That dualine will make a sensation some

A BANQUET WITHOUT WINE .- Recently the Union Merchants' Exchange, of this city, held their annual election for officers to serve during 1873. Upon the afternoon of the election a banquet was given by the Directors of the Exchange, to which all of the ex-Presidents of the institution and other leading citizens were invited. The banquet was a decided success, yet, will it be believed that not a drop of wine, beer or spirituous liquots of any kind was provided for the occasion? There were some sound speeches made by several of our leading men. Many senti-ments were pledged in hot coffee or cold water, and so far as we could see all enjoy-ed themselves fully as well as if they had filled themselves full of strong drinks. At all events, there was an air of sober sense, a decent command of self, and grave re-spect for others that does not prevail at public feasts where spirituous liquors are served. We trust that the commendable example set by our merchants will be folowed by all other associations when publie repasts are meditated .- St. Louis Tem-

An unlettered correspondent in the in erior writes to ask "what is this Credit Mobilior the papers are talking so much about?" Well, it is simply a double-jointabout?" d, back-acting swindling machine, modeded after a French invention, but it is of such intricate construction that we could not well describe it without the assistance of a quantity of diagrams and the por-traits of half the members of Congress.— Courier Journal.

Buried Alive-A Horrible Story From

The Savannah Advertiser relates the

following: On Tuesday of last week a clored man died (or was supposed to have died) and great lamentation was made over his body by the relatives and friends. The corpse and intoxicating liquor, which they plied themselves with until surfeit and drunk. Noisy and indecorous demonstrations of grief were made until the third day (Sat-urday), when the brother of the supposed corpse became incensed at the disgraceful proceeding and determined to bury it at

The other folks remonstrated and declared that the body was yet warm and perhaps not dead. But he insisted as he said, because he would prefer to bury it than have a continuance of the shocking demonstrations. Accordingly his remains were deposited temporarily, in a receiving vault.

Thursday the vault was opened, and the coffin brought out for permanent burial elsewhere, when it was noticed that the strong screws which had been tightly driven in three days previously, were strained and the top of the coffin pried half open.

Tremblingly, and with the most dre adful anticipations, the box was opened, and horrible, most horrible to relate the body was found to be turned and twisted over, the face downward, one hand clutching the hair of the head, the other reaching out, with the nails driven into the wood; the teeth clutched, the eyes glazed and distended, and even the feet giving evidence of having been used in the last hopeless and frightful effort to escape suf-

These are the facts as narrated. The name of the victim was Andrew Dow.

The plea of insanity in criminal cases is likely to fare bad in Illinois. It does not matter much to the criminal, however, as at the present day, to use a hamely phrase, the lawyers know many tricks that are worth two of that. Insanity may serve an occasion, but it is not the reliance it was in olden times. Illinois is, therefore, somewhat late in dealing with the subject, but her proposed law is an excellent one. If a jury acquirs a man of murder as insane, he is certainly a sufficiently danger. ous luustic to be placed in safe keeping. A bill now before the Legislatuse of Illinois provides that whenever an indicted person is found not guilty by reason of his temporary insanity the court shall send him to a lunatic asylum for a term of years proportionate to his crime.

It is impossible to form any correct idea as to the number of cattle that have died west of the Colorado during the present winter, but we have recently conversed with persons from the several surround. ing counties who estimate the loss at fully one third of the entire stock, possibly more. If the thousands of hides already taken from carcasses on the prairies—to say nothing of many more thousands that have escaped the notice of the "skinners," and which have been lost to the leather trade-be any criterion, then the above estimate may be regarded as about correct. The severe freeze of last Tuesday will without doubt increase the loss very considerably .- Gon. Inq.

The Washington correspondent of the

Baltimore Sun says: "There has been in operation here for several years an association of ladies connected with the Protestant Episcopal Church called the Sisterhood of St. John. It is composed of three grades-sisters, probationers and associate sisters -- and the community now consists of three sisters who visit in the hospital connected with St. John's Church in this city, and who have taken solemn vows, one probationer who aspires to be a sister, and twenty-four associates who live in the world, and yet devote a portion of each day, under the direction of the other sisters, to the benevolent work of the order. The sisterhood is under the direction of Rev. J. Vaughn Lewis, pastor of St. John's Church."

The Louisville Ledger says : "Indiana is convulsed from center to circumstance. A great calamity has fallen upon Hoosierdom. Morion howls like a grizzly bear with his foot in a trap and his nose in a bee tree. The darkies, from the Pocket to the shore of Lake Michigan, are cawing like so many crows. A black man by the name of Brown married a white woman, and an Indianapolis judge has sent the happy African to the penitentiary under the old municipal black laws of the

GE: LEE'S BIRTHDAY .- The 20th of January, Gen. Lee's birthday, was cele-brated at Savannah with great celat. The first parade of military since the war. The First Georgia Volunteers, Eigth Battalion, Cheatham Artillery Battery and the Georgia Hussars paraded in uniform. Gen. Wade Hampton delivered an address. The day was generally observed as a holi-day, and resembled the Fourth of July before the war.

EARACHE .-- Perhaps some mother may thank The Household for this remedy. Take a piece of salt pork, say an inch or more long and a half inch square, cut down one end to fit the ear, and insert it, taking care to have the piece too large to slip in. It gives almost instant relief. a handkerchief to keep it in place, if the child will allow it. Pork is also good for sore threat, croup and lung colds. Cut slices half an inch thick, dip in warm water, sprinkle on a little popper, and sew

A bill, repealing the bankrupt law, was carried through the House of Representa-tives, on the 20th of January, by the re-quisite two-thirds vote, and without dis-cussion. It is thought at Washington that the Senate will concur in the action of the House. The law has become unpopular and does not seem to have served the pu poses for which it was intended.